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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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Executive Officer
Office of Current Intelligence

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SUBJECT : Attendance at Professional Gathering

FROM :

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I am planning to attend the Fifth National Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), which will convene in San Francisco from November 14-16. As a member of LASA I have registered to participate in the conference and attend panel sessions on a number of topics by prominent academic and government specialists in the area (the tentative program schedule is attached). Among the subjects included for discussion are Argentina and the southern cone countries, which are of particular interest to me since my responsibilities in OCI pertain to this region.

Since the conference deals with a broad range of Latin American issues of current interest that have a direct relation to my professional duties, I believe it would be appropriate for the Agency to sponsor my attendance and reimburse me for travel expenses. The exposure to a wide-ranging interchange of ideas and viewpoints by a cross section of distinguished Latin American scholars would be particularly advantageous for my continued area specialization. As an OCI analyst I also believe that the chance to establish wider professional contacts on this area would be beneficial professionally.

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